

STATE OF WASHINGTON ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING On PROPOSED DRAFT RULES

Monday, May 3, 2004 2:00 p.m. Conference Room 308 925 Plum Street, Building 4 Olympia, WA 98504

Since the October 2003 public comment meetings regarding proposed rules for setting sitting standards for energy facilities, the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) has continued to edit and refine for clarity and structure the draft siting standards for energy facilities and other administrative rules in Title 463 of the Washington Administrative Code. EFSEC has set aside time at its regular meeting on May 3, 2004 to hear informal comments regarding the most recent version of its draft rules.

PLEASE NOTE: EFSEC has withdrawn its proposed CO₂ Mitigation Rule.

With passage of Substitute House Bill 3141 that sets carbon dioxide mitigation for fossil fueled energy facilities into law, there is no need for an EFSEC CO₂ Mitigation rule, thus it is no longer under consideration.

EFSEC anticipates that in June 2004 it will issue a notice for formal comment on the draft standards and other changes to its administrative rules. The May 3, 2004 meeting is an opportunity for the public to provide informal comment prior to the June notice.

The text of the draft siting standards and other changes to Title 463 WAC can be viewed on EFSEC's website at http://www.efsec.wa.gov/rulerev.html or copies may be obtained by calling EFSEC at 956-2122.

EFSEC will consider the comments it receives on May 3, 2004 to refine its draft rules prior to issuing a formal notice for public comment on proposed changes to its rules. Adoption of final rules is currently scheduled for September 2004.

For additional information about this meeting and public comment opportunities on the proposed draft rules, please contact Allen Fiksdal, EFSEC Manager, at (360) 956-2152.

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